

Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2022
Time: 1400 to 1500 hours
Location: Microsoft TEAMS
Topic: Freedom Convoy

Commissioner Carrique

Chief Steven Tanner

A/Chief Steve Bell

Tom Berczi

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Marty Ottaway

Chief Rohan Thompson

Chief Jim Ramer

Chief Bill Fordy

Brett Flynn

Ryan Diodati

Chief Jim MacSween

Matt Peggs

Shaun Narine

Roger Wilkie

Insp Tim Skinner

Chief Supt Dwight Thib

Supt Mike McDonell

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Myron Demkiw

Denis Vinette CBSA

Jeff Hill

The meeting objective will be for intelligence and information sharing, to assist with informing local decision making and identifying opportunities for strategic collaboration. The intent is not to make operational decisions, or provide operational direction. It is to ensure that information and structures are in place to assist with joint decision making amongst affected police services.

Agenda

1. Ottawa Situational Update

Interim Chief Steve Bell, Ottawa PS, Deputy Commissioner Michael Duheme, RCMP and Deputy Commissioner Chris Harkins, OPP

Trish Ferguson- no change in our geographical area. Drop in 50 since announcing yesterday to leave. Negotiation with the Mayor's agreement was tricky- we couldn't facilitate due to emergency act. We've got good numbers and focused on static traffic, QRTs, Community Engagement officers. Change in

strategic comms happening. PLT members providing them with pamphlets- have had some negative responses. Only 1 truck has left. All stating they're staying.

5 trucks just left- looking to relocate but out of the downtown core.

Steve Bell- looking at 3 phase plan. Well into stabilization. Escalate the messaging. Create a policing buffer around the red zone. When time is right will move to actions on plan. Push to demobilize. Will take all resources. Once we start will continue to move across all the protests to secure the ground we have.

Once have trucks out- go into a maintenance state- holding the ground so no swell coming back.

Each is resource intensive.

Commissioner- resource request sent through OACP yesterday had 2 deployment phases- will that be enough or should we look at a subsequent ask over the next week.

Harkins- Just spoke to Chief Pardy- will ask for patience- get plan developed and still trying to tally up what is required for phase one and two here. Should see the required numbers/ ask by end of day today.

OPP has deployed already to help with the first phase. Maintenance phase to follow.

2. POU Hub-coordination of Police Resources

a. Status of support activities

Superintendent Mike McDonell, OPP, Superintendent Tom Berczi, Waterloo Regional Police Service, A/S/Superintendent Peter Moreira & Superintendent Shaun Narine, Toronto Police Service and Inspector Tim Skinner, York Regional Police

Insp Tim Skinner- have concept of operations. Resource intensive operation. Will be largest POU deployment in CDN history. Have 7 teams presently. 3 from SQ to be used as QRT. Will have 3 RCMP teams potentially. Overall plan- POU last part of that.

S/Supt Peter Moreira- TPS- DRPS, York, Peel sending section. TPS sending 8 horses. Looking at impacts of planned protests in GTA too- balancing resources. OPP QRT staging in Vaughan- between GTA and Windsor if required.

Supt Tom Berczi- Windsor maintaining 1 section. Hamilton there since Monday. Waterloo relieving Hamilton. LPS designated for Niagara this weekend.

3. Update on any known planned events & anticipated needs

Roundtable discussion

Norm Hansen- Marilyn Gladeau (sp?) received threat- looking into it. She badmouthed the police said we were blocking the border not the truckers.

4. Intelligence Led Policing

Superintendent Pat Morris, OPP

Intelligence

Ottawa- call with OACP planners today. Want to ensure we are up to speed on tasking gaps for tactical objectives. Covert teams on ground. Target specific 8 sites

Have issue with operational security. Working with OPS and tech support branch and PSB. Impact and how to flush out some breaches of operational security. Attend to a small segment of perhaps unvaxed or sympathetic members who may take it to a level of compromising.

Information being supplied that has the potential to impact operations.

Dyagonal- extremist influence- heavily engaged. Massive video put out by Jeremy McKenzie. In Coutts, arrests for conspiracy to commit murder- had dyagonal logo on. Trying to speak to the lead investigator there- want the info on these individuals to see if any connection to Ottawa. Critical for a POU briefing.

Need more info on that.

Haven't seen a lot of dyagonal involvement yet.

Peterborough truck/ gun theft- acquired almost all of the firearms. No indication that this is involved.

Convoys- all info has been supplied. 3 we are interested in- 1 coming from NWR to NER. 1 on the 401 in Cambridge last night. 1 is smaller- coming from Sudbury NB area to Ottawa. All info shared to OPS. Will follow up with OPP

Future events- Toronto- sat 19th- hosted by The Line.

Potential blocking of Fort Erie Bridge. Peace Bridge and Queenston / Lewiston Bridge.

Messaging- Hendon- because pp had not been involved in criminal sphere, discussing strategy to look at it from perspective of conspiracy. Meeting with Inset and OPS tomorrow. Looking at assistance and broader investigative strategy to acquire information.

Officer safety issue- Mark Patterson and Ken Brydon in Ottawa briefed- related to Apple Air Tags- small quarter like piece that can be slipped into a vehicle to track people.

Also- OPP- we put bulletin out this morning related to Coutts and arrests. What occurs after POU action in Ottawa? Created a managers group in Hendon- focus on critical infrastructure and action to prevention- airports/ city centers etc.

Top priorities- assist Ottawa and look at broader issues

Insp Skinner- we are connected with intel cell- providing packages- maintain planning element. New targets identified will have a plan before we go in.

Jim Ramer- had male whose phone stopped working and he started shooting in his apartment. Had no criminal record. People are losing the mental health levels and capacity. Issue for our members- officer safety

Trish Ferguson- had incident overnight- male from Northern QC- body armour and car full of edged weapons- was coming here to end the demonstration himself.

Commr- inset group- were looking at the fixated writers. Our sovereign citizens- those fixated on govt and police. How are we best to coordinate how to look at those fixated writers?

Have some concern about what can fall through the cracks. Some coordination required.

Pat Morris- we created a separate distribution list for intel managers/ leaders. Last point was new sources- I can aggregate those people that we're concerned about. Will take assessment and look in terms of threat assessment.

Shaun Narine- group in Cambridge- any update- how much warning could we have if coming our way.

Pat Morris- group from Ottawa that went to Cambridge is 11 tractor trailers. We have the plates of the vehicles. Can find out where they are now.

Other event – the one coming from NER- meeting in Arn prior to enter Ottawa on Feb 17th. Coming across Hwy 17.

Deputy Cox- efforts and discussions re. Multi JFOs- sent a message out to our OPS partners and RCMP partners- from OPP asking that they look at if we can start JFO related to leaders of Organization and criminality. Spoke with Chief Kari Dart – she's following up on that with our partners.

Commr- more follow up to be done for connecting partners.

DiMarco- KM's that we've been working on and flow charts to share with the Chiefs- trying to make it easy for frontline. What their orders should be- removal of the vehicle and MTO form access. CMV and non CMV stream. CVOR impacted. Attached KMs for steps and process. Will share it with you all.

Continue to work with PLT around KM across the province. Around EMCPA and Emergency Act to use authorities. Start seizing property and vehicles.

Commr= if you see anything in the emergency act that needs to be amended - let me know we can follow up with govt for assistance if required. Let me or Deputy DiMarco know.

Dwight Thib- border perspective- for the convoy Ayre area, they are still there –told [REDACTED] they'd be heading to Ottawa today. Will keep you apprised

CBSA- Denis Vinette- VP- hearing nothing different –only info we've picked up is that the Niagara peace bridge on the 19th and Queenston / Lewiston Bridge. Tracking that

Ports of entry- will reach out to you- anything we can do to support from intel and planning, we can respond to assist. Hardening our ports of entry from security perspective. CCTV being installed for better view. Emergency act- can deny any foreign national –haven't had to use it. Refused entry to a few individuals not vaccinated who wanted to attend to support and were turned around.

CAO My Pillows- tried to enter last night- unvaccinated. Wanting to make the duration in Ottawa and ship 10,000 pillows and bibles to the Ottawa protesters. Anything on bridge and tunnel operators contact can be made if necessary.

RCMP- Matt Peggs- emergency act- based on intel gathered- reported 14 financial institutions and crypto wallets frozen based on Ottawa participation. System in place to get that info to financial institutions.

Across the county- protests have diminished. BC flowing freely. Coutts open. MN at Emerson - allowing passenger vehicles

O Division- have members in Ottawa and Windsor

Globally- Belgium, France, Israel, New Zealand...

INSET- working and triaging info- turning mind to this as well. What is falling outside of traditional groups? Everyone working well together on this.

Harkins- ask form integrated planning team- a few services self-deploying- ask that you follow the direction of the memo- send available resources –A/Deputy Ferguson will reply with deployment and joining instructions. Just get a coordinated resource going- may need them down the road.